

Dear Senators,

I am writing in support of SB826 for the repair and upgrading of the M/V Salvage Chief. As you have no doubt heard from others, the Salvage Chief is a unique asset that has the potential to be put into service for the benefit of citizens should the need arise.

In addition to the many good reasons to repair and enable a ship of this sort to serve in emergencies, the funds allocated for repair will support working people and jobs in Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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